

Proclamation

WHEREAS, observances for "a day of fasting and prayer," "a day of public thanksgiving and prayer," or "a day of solemn humility, fasting and prayer" are part of our American heritage; and

WHEREAS, in 1952, the United States Congress approved a joint resolution, setting aside a day of prayer for the nation; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, the first Thursday of May was recognized as an annual observance for a day of prayer and signed in law, Public Law 100-307; and

WHEREAS, on this day and of their own choosing, the people in America from all socio-economic, political, ethnic and religious backgrounds may gather and pray, meditate or reflect in their own way for the unity of our nation, affirming the principles upon which our country was founded; and

WHEREAS, we recognize the diversity of our country and thank our citizens for doing their part in bringing peace throughout our communities, state, nation and world;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor of the **State of Hawai'i,** do hereby proclaim May 6, 2021 as

"NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER"

in Hawai'i and ask the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the value of diversity, faith and unity within our state and nation and reaffirming our commitment to work toward a more tolerant and inclusive community for all.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twentieth day of April 2021.

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i